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IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Sebastian Garcia NAVARRO) Group Art Unit: 3652
ATTY DOCKET NO: 018778-9028) Examiner: Raymond B.
SERIAL NO.: 10/056,745) JOHNSON
FILED ON: January 25, 2002) RESPONSE TO OFFICE
FOR: "DRIVE MECHANISM FOR A VEHICLE ACCESS) ACTION SETTING FORTH
SYSTEM") RESTRICTION/ELECTION
Confirmation No. 9333) REQUIREMENT
Customer No. 1131) DATED DECEMBER 12, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sirs:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 12, 2003

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003, setting forth a restriction requirement requiring election. Applicant hereby elects species A Figs. 1-10, i.e., claims 1 through 18 without traverse. The subject matter of Figs. 1-17 (species B) is hereby withdrawn from consideration from the present application.

Date: 12-30-03

Respectfully submitted,

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